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Applicants: : Frank L. Graham, et. al.  
Examiner : Peter Brunovskis, Ph.D.  
Art Unit : 1632  
Docket No. : AdVec 9  
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For: : USE OF HELPER-DEPENDENT ADENOVIRAL VECTORS OF  
ALTERNATIVE SEROTYPES PERMITS REPEAT VECTOR  
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111 TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED BY PATENT  
EXAMINER OCTOBER 24, 2000, AND REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 24, 2000 for the captioned application. That Office Action provided a shortened statutory period of three months. It is hereby petitioned that the